

Troopers Charge Dagsboro Woman for Assault and Burglary-Frankford

Frankford— The Delaware State Police have charged a Dagsboro woman with burglary, assault and other related charges stemming from an incident that occurred in late September.

The incident occurred on September 23, 2018 at approximately 2:38 a.m., when Troopers were dispatched to the 32000 block of Wingate Road for a report of a domestic incident. Upon arrival, Troopers made contact with a 41-year-old male resident who advised that his ex-girlfriend, 53-year-old **Judith Duko** with whom he has a no contact order, had broken into his residence and assaulted him, his 42-year-old girlfriend, and their 14-year-old daughter. The victim advised that while he and his girlfriend were sleeping, they were awoken by loud squealing of tires and honking of a horn. The victims identified Duko's vehicle in their driveway and heard her yelling outside. In the meantime, Duko proceeded to the rear of the residence where she ripped out a screen and entered the house through a bedroom window onto a bed. The 14-year-old was asleep on the bed and was subsequently struck by Duko when she entered the residence. Duko had a padlock attached to a key chain in her hand and struck the 41-year-old male over the head with the padlock. As the 42-year-old female proceeded to enter the bedroom an altercation between her and Duko ensued. Duko proceeded to strike and bite the female victim, causing her injury. The three victims declined medical treatment at the scene.

During the altercation, there was a dog present in the house that bit Duko in the face. Duko sustained injuries from the bite and was transported to the Beebe Medical Center and later transferred to the Christiana Hospital. Prior to Duko

being transported to the hospital, Troopers observed a strong odor of alcohol emitting from her.

Warrants were obtained for the arrest of Duko and she was charged on October 30, 2018 with the following:

- Possession of a Deadly Weapon During the Commission of a Felony
- Burglary First Degree
- Assault Second Degree
- Stalking
- Driving a Vehicle Under the Influence of Alcohol
- Offensive Touching (2 counts)
- Criminal Mischief
- Breach of Release
- Disorderly Conduct
- Criminal Trespass
- Other traffic related offenses

Duko was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 3 and committed to the Delores J. Baylor Women's Correctional Institution on \$16,600.00 secured bond.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov.

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